

THE PHILIPPINE BILL'S CHANCE IN THE SENATE

(Mail Special to the Advertiser.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 24.—The chief interest in Hawaiian events here during the past few days has been over the appointment of a circuit judge to succeed Judge Robinson. It was intended to have the appointment made yesterday, but Attorney General Moody was unable to complete his examination of the papers and accordingly the appointment is delayed. There is little to tell about the situation, which has not already been indicated by cable to the Advertiser. Judge Robinson's re-appointment of the charges, that were the basis for Gov. Carter's withdrawing his endorsement, are being carefully considered. The fact that he has the practically unanimous endorsement of the Honolulu bar is also having great weight with both the Attorney General and the President. They do not want to do him any injustice by acting hastily on Gov. Carter's recommendation. It is almost certain, however, that the nomination will be made in the course of a few days, and should become known long before this letter reaches Honolulu.

Mr. W. O. Smith, of Honolulu, arrived here Saturday, accompanied by his son Lawrence. They are at the Shoreham Hotel. Because of the son's illness Mr. Smith has been kept pretty closely at the hotel, but the lad is now improving. Mr. Smith and Judge Hatch have called upon Delegate Kahanamoku and discussed with him the plans for a hearing before the House Committee on Territories on the refunding bill. But there have been no developments of note yet, the preparations being of a general character. Mr. and Mrs. George B. McClellan had Mr. Smith, Secretary Atkinson and the Hawaiian delegate at dinner last evening, when there was also a further exchange of ideas about the program for handling the refunding bill. Mr. Atkinson expects to remain here for two or three days yet, before sailing for Portugal.

THE PHILIPPINES BILL.

With a statehood fight, of large proportions, a Santo Domingo fight, a railroad rate fight and many other clashes on hand to dispose of in Congress, the situation in the Senate Philippines Committee is commanding no little attention. The forces there, with reference to the Philippine tariff bill, are led respectively by Senator Lodge, the chairman, who wants the House bill favorably reported to the Senate, and by Senator Hale, of Maine, who is the Republican sitting next to the chairman and who is against enacting the Philippine tariff bill into law. As it stands now Senator Hale has more Republicans of the committee with him than has Senator Lodge. They will also probably figure as leaders of the respective sides of the controversy on the floor of the Senate, when the bill gets there.

Possibly the fate of the Philippine bill will depend much upon the aggressiveness with which Senator Hale opposes it. Few doubt that if he is willing to oppose the administration to the extent of his power, on this measure, it would never reach a vote. Mr. Hale does not believe in the legislation. He thinks it unwise from practically every point of view. In this he is entirely consistent, for all along he has declared his convictions that our interference in affairs of the Philippine Islands was ill advised. He is especially opposed to any modification of tariff and realizes, as does nearly everybody in Congress, that this bill, should it become a law, would be used as an opening wedge to force a revision of the Dingley schedules.

With the Maine Senator in the committee struggle are Senators Burrows, of Michigan; Nixon, of Nevada, and Brandegee, of Connecticut, and possibly, Dick, of Ohio. The only Republicans of the committee that Senator Lodge is sure of are Senators Beveridge of Indiana and Long of Kansas. So it remains for the Democrats of the committee to decide whether the administration bill shall have a majority or a minority report.

"I shall get my bill before the Senate," said Chairman Lodge today. "The vote, however, will be very close. If I have not enough votes now I believe I shall have enough before we get ready to vote on the report."

Of course, the unpleasant feature of the situation for the President and Secretary Taft, who have their hearts set on the passage of the bill, is that the opposition is so strong. A strong opposition means that it will take longer to reach a vote and that the vote may not be reached at all. As already stated if Mr. Hale, who is now the Republican leader of the Senate, is willing to oppose the bill with might and main, it is doubtful if it can pass. He told the President some time ago, when they were conferring on other matters, just how he stood on the Philippine bill. It is not unlikely that Mr. Hale will have something to say about the legislation, when it gets before the Senate. At the same time, with a statement of his position on record, he may yield, as the Senator rarely fights a measure, relentlessly when the President favors it. Mr. Hale has not, however, indicated yet how far he will go.

It is likely that many of the stand-pat Republican Senators will go with Mr. Hale in opposing the Philippine bill. Several New Englanders will be arrayed against it, for, with the exception of Massachusetts, the New England Senators do not want tariff schedules touched. However, if the bill comes to a vote there are probably Republican Senators enough for it to join with Democrats who favor it to ensure the passage. In any event the administration will hardly have any occasion to feel proud over the enactment of the legislation. In the House there were Republicans enough (57) against the bill to have defeated it, had the Democrats voted solidly against it. But the Democrats voted almost solidly for the bill. In the Senate there will probably be a somewhat analogous situation, for it is very doubtful if there will be very many Republican Senators enough to pass the bill. This is a very unusual situation, when both the Senate and House have almost a two-thirds majority of Republicans.

ERNEST G. WALKER.

AN OLD-TIME VISIT TO THE HOUSEHOLD OF MRS. LYMAN

The death of Mrs. Rufus Lyman calls to mind a beautiful tribute paid to her by Henry N. Castle in a letter from him while touring on Hawaii in 1885.

He writes: "We continued our journey at about three in the afternoon and reached Paauhau about dusk. This, as you may possibly know, is the home of Rufus Lyman. I shall not soon forget the evening and the night that we spent in this charming home, and I would that mine were the pen adequately to celebrate the various excellencies of our hostess, Mrs. Lyman."

"It would be a small return indeed to make for the kindness and the genial hospitality with which she received us. She shines pre-eminently as a hostess and adorns the office. The kindness, the courtesy, the grace, the aroma of personality and good feeling which she diffuses and which surround her like an atmosphere, are something quite above my powers of description."

"The mother of nine living children, six of whom were that evening clustering around her knee, she seemed the ornament of the household and an honor to motherhood. Time has dealt with her gently, maternal cares have left few traces on her brow, and she was still young in face as well as in heart. Her children were full of life without being noisy, orderly without the appearance of constraint, polite and considerate, yet natural and free. There was obedience without suppression and harmony without friction. The wheels of domestic government revolved silently without a jar. They regulated themselves."

and beauty of a natural attribute. Here we have a true union of some of the best elements of Hawaiian and Anglo-Saxon character, and the result is a new compound, well worthy of study.

"Our evening at Paauhau was on a Sunday and family prayers was quite an elaborate and interesting ceremony. All read around, the youngest even liping the verse from the Old Testament after the mother, and then the children recited the Ten Commandments—boldly and stridently uttered by the older boys; softly, bashfully, demurely syllabled by the younger children. Then came several Moody and Sankey hymns, zealously chanted by young and old, and then bed for the children, while we who were grown up luxuriously idled away the long tropic evening by the brightly-lighted table, I, reclining on the lounge, chatted at my ease with Mrs. Brinkwood, now in English and now in Hawaiian, while she regaled me with the approaching glories of Waimanu, and especially with tales of the wondrous pool on which I should banquet when once within the remote depths of that happy valley."

"And so we spent the pleasant evening, bidding goodnight at last to our genial host and hostess, then away to a cool bed and pleasant dreams, and awaking in the keen morning air to a glorious view of Mauna Kea, lifting blue slopes and snow-crowned summit over the green plain, and far above the distant uplands."

SOUND ADVICE.

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COMMERCIAL

BY DANIEL LOGAN.

With the exception of one slight rise in beets a succession of drops occurred daily in the sugar market between Monday and Saturday. The fall in cane sugar has been from \$70 to \$69.60, and in beet from \$74.80 to \$74 a ton. Until the present excess of nearly 700,000 tons in the world's supply, as compared with the same time last year, be reduced much improvement in prices is not to be expected.

For the week ending January 27 the U. S. local weather bureau reported: "The stormy conditions which reached a climax on the 19th instant have been followed by generally fair weather in all portions of the Group. During the past week, the days have been rather warm and sunny, but very cool nights have continued. 1906 cane has ripened well, conditions have been quite favorable for field operations, and harvesting has proceeded rapidly. Young cane, however, has made very little growth. Winter pineapples have ripened freely, and young plants are generally reported as in good condition. Coffee in the upper levels of windward Hawaii is ripening slowly."

The falling sugar market has not materially affected sugar stocks. There are inquiries in San Francisco for Ewa and Pioneer, but at slightly below current market prices here. Hawaiian Sugar (Makaweli) is strong at \$32.50, large sales at that figure having been made the past week.

SALES AND DIVIDENDS.

Transactions listed by the Honolulu Stock and Bond Exchange for the week have been as follows: Kihel (\$50) 20, 10, 100, 10 at \$9.25; Ewa (\$20), 26, 22 at \$24.25, 16 at \$24.37½; Oahu Sugar Co. (\$100), 7 at \$88, 100 at \$85; O. R. & L. Co. (\$100), 10, 50, 6, 20 at \$89.50; McBryde (\$20), 135, 5 at \$5.75, 65, 25, 25 at \$5.50; Pioneer (\$100), 5, 20 at \$127.50; Telephone (\$10), 50 at \$9; Onomea (\$20), 250 at \$28.75; Hawaiian Sugar (\$20), 450, 85, 15 at \$32.50; I. I. S. N. Co. (\$100), 20 at \$120.

January Sales—1375 Ewa, 23.50 to 27; 32 Haw. Agr. Co., 110 to 115; 366 Haw. Com. & Sug. Co., 82 to 85.50; 285 Haw. Sug. Co., 32 to 32.50; 450 Honokaa, 11.50 to 12.75; 5 Haiku, 170; 70 Kahuku, 27; 2124 Kihel, 8 to 9.50; 477 McBryde, 5.50 to 6; 187 Oahu, 88 to 95; 267 Oolaka, 5.25; 92 Olua, 4; 238 Pioneer, 127.50 to 132.50; 86 Wailua, 67.50 to 70.75; 8 I. I. S. N. Co., 125; 27 H. R. T. & L. Co., pfd., 101.50 to 102; 36 H. R. T. & L. Co., com., 67.50; 50 Mutual Tel. Co., 9; 380 O. R. & L. Co., 89.50; 220 Hon. Brew. & Malt, Co., 23; \$4000 Cal. Beet Sug. & Ref. Co. 6s, 103; \$2000 Haw. Sug. Co. 6s, 102.75; \$1000 Hilo R. Co., com., 6s, 65; \$1500 O. R. & L. Co. 6s, 105; \$9000 Pioneer Mill Co. 6s, 105.75 to 106; \$10,000 Wailua Agr. Co. 6s, 100 to 100.25; \$2000 McBryde Sug. Co., 100.

Dividends—C. Brewer & Co., 2 per cent.; Ewa, ½ per cent.; Honomu, 1 per cent.; Waimanalo, 1½ per cent.; Wailuku, 1½ per cent.; Haw. Electric, 1 per cent.; Olowalu, 1 per cent.; Hon. B. & M. Co., 1 per cent.; Haiku, 2 per cent.; Paia, 1½ per cent.; Pioneer, 1 per cent.; Honokaa, ½ per cent.; Haw. Com. & Sugar Co., 65c. share; Onomea (S. F.), 1½ per cent.; Paauhau (S. F.), 1 per cent.

PHILIPPINE PLANTERS FACING RUIN.

The following article from the Manila Times indicates that the Philippine sugar industry is in a bad way:

"The sugar planters of Pampanga and doubtless of other provinces where that staple is grown are believed to be facing ruin."

"At present, owing to the low scaling of sugar in the markets of the world it seems that it costs so much to harvest it in these islands that there is no prospect of profit."

"The market price on sugar on the ground in Pampanga is P2 60 a hundred, which makes it impossible for the farmer to realize anything on his product."

"As a result the sugar planters are facing a most serious crisis, as even if they should be willing to take chances on a rise in the price, and harvest their crop, they are utterly unable to borrow money to carry on this work. Owing to the misfortunes of the past two or three years they are now without any capital, and though their crop is said to be the largest in almost a decade, the outlook is that most of it will rot upon the ground. The banks refuse to loan them any money and even the Monte de Piedad, which could usually be depended upon in the past, has shut its doors to them."

"Such money as can be obtained is offered at only exorbitant rates, in one case as high as 60 per cent. interest being demanded."

"Of course such interest is prohibitive, and so the sugar planters of Pampanga are in despair. Their sugar is now all ready to harvest, in fact is past ripe, and each day is decreasing its quality and value. Ruin, they say, absolute and past mending, is their fate."

"As the largest sugar growing province in the island of Luzon, just what this means to its 224,000 inhabitants, can well be imagined. Incidentally, on the principle that what affects one province affects all, the effect on the general prosperity can also be imagined. And doubtless it is the same in many others of the provinces, so that the islands are likely to receive another calamitous blow."

"Just what salvation, if any, is available, the planters declare they can not see. In their extremity, they naturally turn to the government, but it is considered very doubtful that they will obtain relief there. And so, as said, Pampanga is cheerlessly facing a year which is likely to surpass in misery any that has gone heretofore."

HONOLULU RAPID TRANSIT.

At the annual meeting of the Honolulu Rapid Transit & Land Co., the manager's report gave the following data of the past year's operations:

"The total income for the year was \$330,392.12, and the total operating expense account was \$201,649.02, leaving a balance to the credit of this account of \$128,743.10, from which was deducted the fixed charges of \$57,302.70, leaving a net balance of \$71,440.40."

"The car mileage for the year was 1,502,209 miles, being a daily average of 4116 miles, and the passengers carried were 6,616,528, the daily average being 18,127. There were 6,219,311 full-fare passengers, 275,625 half-fare (school children) passengers and 121,592 free passengers; of these last it is estimated that 75 per cent, or 91,194 is made up of police, letter carriers, firemen and sanitary inspectors, this being equal to a contribution to the public service of \$4539.70."

The old board of directors was re-elected as follows: L. Tenney Peck, president; L. A. Thurston, 1st vice-president; J. B. Castle, 2d vice-president; G. P. Thielen, secretary; C. H. Atherton, treasurer; F. W. Klebahn, auditor; W. R. Castle, director; C. G. Ballentyne, manager and ex officio director.

KAHULUI HARBOR WORKS.

On behalf of the Kahului Railroad Co. a contract has been signed by Alexander & Baldwin with the Hawaiian Dredging Co. whereby the latter agrees to build a breakwater from a point on the beach on the Paia side of the oil tanks at Kahului to the American Girl Rock, a distance of two thousand one hundred feet. It is understood that the contract price is one hundred thousand dollars and will be paid for in full by the Kahului Railroad Co. The plans call for a breakwater two hundred and fifty feet wide on the bottom, one hundred feet wide on the top, and eight feet above high water. This will make as safe and quiet a harbor as there is in the Hawaiian Islands and in all kinds of weather passengers may step from the wharf at Kahului onto the steamer and freight may be landed direct. Kahului harbor is to be dredged to a depth of thirty-two feet, which will give ample depth for the present for the large sugar freighters that regularly take large shipments from this busy port. The contract for the dredging has already been let, articles of agreement signed and the Hawaiian Dredging Company will begin operation soon.

GENERAL REVIEW.

It was reported on the street yesterday that Judge Hartwell had acquired a controlling interest in the American Sugar Co. by the purchase of 910 shares from the J. Mott-Smith estate and of 840 shares from E. H. Wodehouse. The price reported is \$30 a share, making the aggregate amount paid \$52,500. Promoted for a sugar planting corporation the American Sugar Co., on proving the lack of water on the Molokai lands owned by it, changed its purpose to stock-raising. Its capitalization was \$1,500,000.

Will E. Fisher sold at auction yesterday, under execution in the suit of Lyle A. Dickey vs. Robert Sharp et al., a block of 50 shares Oiaa Sugar Co. for \$75 and another of 17 shares for \$32.50, or \$1.50 and \$1.91 a share respectively. As it had been announced that the purchaser was not assured delivery of the stock certificates, the fraternity was shy of bidding and it is doubtful if the sales are valid.

Treasurer Campbell has sent home particulars of his sale of the \$750,000 of Territorial public improvement bonds. The bonds are to be taken at different times, thus: One hundred thousand dollars on acceptance of the bid of 98½ for the issue; \$100,000 on March 10; \$100,000 on April 10; \$750,000 on May (Continued on Page 7.)

WEATHER BUREAU REPORT.

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU.

MONTHLY METEOROLOGICAL SUMMARY.

Station, Honolulu, T. H.; Month, January, 1906.

Temperature				Precip. Ch'rter	Day
Date	Max.	Min.	Mean		
1.....	79	69	74	.02	Clear
2.....	78	66	72	.08	Pt. Cldy
3.....	77	69	73	.05	Pt. Cldy
4.....	78	70	74	.01	Clear
5.....	77	70	74	....	Clear
6.....	77	69	73	....	Pt. Cldy
7.....	77	70	74	....	Pt. Cldy
8.....	76	68	72	....	Pt. Cldy
9.....	73	68	70	.09	Cloudy
10.....	76	67	72	....	Pt. Cldy
11.....	77	69	73	....	Pt. Cldy
12.....	77	68	72	....	Cloudy
13.....	77	65	71	....	Pt. Cldy
14.....	76	66	71	.32	Cloudy
15.....	74	64	69	.15	Cloudy
16.....	71	60	66	....	Pt. Cldy
17.....	73	59	66	....	Clear
18.....	75	62	68	.16	Pt. Cldy
19.....	71	60	66	.29	Pt. Cldy
20.....	74	65	70	....	Pt. Cldy
21.....	73	63	68	.08	Pt. Cldy
22.....	73	61	67	....	Pt. Cldy
23.....	74	62	68	....	Pt. Cldy
24.....	75	64	70	....	Pt. Cldy
25.....	76	66	71	....	Pt. Cldy
26.....	77	67	72	....	Pt. Cldy
27.....	77	65	71	.87	Cloudy
28.....	79	65	72	.04	Pt. Cldy
29.....	76	64	70	....	Pt. Cldy
30.....	71	60	66	.01	Clear
31.....	69	60	64	....	T. Clear
Mean.....	75.2	65.2	70.2		

Note.—"T" indicates trace of precipitation.

* Inches and hundredths.

ATMOSPHERIC PRESSURE.

(Reduced to sea level; inches and hundredths.)

Mean, 29.97; highest, 30.16, date 9th; lowest, 29.59, date, 15th.

TEMPERATURE.

Highest, 79, date, 25th, lowest, 59; date, 17th.

Greatest daily range, 1s, date, 25th. Least daily range, 5, date, 9th.

Mean for this month in 1890, 72; 1891, 72; 1892, 69; 1893, 71; 1894, 71; 1895, 70; 1896, 72; 1897, 72; 1898, 72; 1899, 71; 1900, 71; 1901, 71; 1902, 71; 1903, 70; 1904, 72; 1905, 67; 1906, 70.

Mean of this month for 17 years, 71.

Absolute maximum for this month for 17 years, 84.

Absolute minimum for this month for 17 years, 54.

Average daily deficiency of this month as compared with mean of 17 years, 0.6.

Accumulated deficiency since January 1, 19.

Average daily deficiency since January 1, 0.6.

PRECIPITATION.

Total this month, 2.21.

Greatest precipitation in 24 hours, 0.87, date, 27th.

Total precipitation this month in 1878, 0.17; 1879, 10.05; 1880, 2.89; 1881, 2.39; 1882, 4.49; 1883, 3.65; 1884, 1.08; 1885, 0.38; 1886, 0.93; 1887, 7.61; 1888, 1.49; 1889, 0.86; 1890, 2.87; 1891, 1.65; 1892, 8.07; 1893, 2.68; 1894, 3.77; 1905, 0.80; 1906, 2.21.

Average of this month for 19 years, 3.06.

Deficiency of this month as compared with average of 19 years, 0.85.

Accumulated deficiency since January 1, 0.85.

WIND.

Prevailing direction N.E. (27 per cent.), total movement, 7248 miles; average hourly velocity, 9.7; maximum velocity (for five minutes), 43 miles per hour, from southwest on the 18th.

WEATHER.

Number of days—clear, 6; partly cloudy, 20; cloudy, 5; on which .01 inch, or more, of precipitation occurred, 13.

MISCELLANEOUS PHENOMENA.

Auroras, none; halos; solar, none; lunar, none.

Hail, none; sleet, none; fog, none.

Thunderstorms, none.

ALEX. McC. ASHLEY, Section Director, Weather Bureau.



MRS. MARY MUSGROVE.

The above picture is an excellent likeness of Mrs. Mary Musgrove, formerly stewardess of the Nippon Maru, who was among the victims of the wreck of the steamer Valencia. Writing to a friend in Honolulu just before she sailed, she said she was making the trip to earn enough money to procure a new outfit of clothing before resuming her duties again on the Nippon. The Nippon Maru passed through Honolulu Friday on the way to San Francisco.

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MASTERS AND ENGINEERS.

Captains Bolles and Bulger who came up from Honolulu for the purpose of examining candidates for certificates as masters, mates and engineers put in a strenuous day on Thursday inspecting the steamers and tug in port during the day and holding an examination of the applicants for certificates in the evening. The Kaulaui passed the examination and was given a license for another year. The Counselman also got a certificate. Among the seagoing folk who stood the examination for higher class certificates were Captain Dover, Captain Wichart, the mate and quartermaster of the Kaulaui, Eugene Lee and several of the engineers. It is said that none of the masters were set back and that the engineers passed creditably. The reports in the cases of the latter will not be made public for a few days. Accompanied by William Johnson and Captain Clark of the Inter-Island S. N. Co., the visiting inspectors went up to the Volcano on Saturday and returned Sunday afternoon in time to take the Claudine for Honolulu—Hawaii Herald.

Joe Souza, a Portuguese boy, is alleged to have stolen a bicycle from the rear of the Hoffschlager store on